

Verifying Citizenship and Identity

Important Notice!

Federal Medicaid Law Requires Proof of U.S. Citizenship and Identification

U.S. citizens who apply for or get Medicaid will need to show proof of citizenship and identity. **Note:** In most cases, if you were born in the United States you are a U.S. citizen.

Questions or Need Help?

- Call our toll-free number 1-877-937-3663.
- Contact your worker.
- Visit the website at <http://www.dhs.state.ia.us/>.
- Visit the website at www.cdc.gov/nchs/w2w.htm if you need to get a birth certificate from another state.

Examples of How to Prove U.S. Citizenship and Identity

Everyone in your home who gets Medicaid will need to turn in proof of citizenship and identity, except people who are in foster care or a IV-E subsidized adoption, and people who get Medicare, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), or social security disability.

Proof must be an original document. Do not mail original documents. Bring them to the office.

- **Column A** proves both citizenship and identity.

If you don't have a document from column A, then you will need to provide documents from column B.

- **Column B** requires a document from both Part 1 and Part 2 to meet the new requirement.

Column A	Column B	
Proves both Citizenship & Identity	Part 1	Part 2
	Proves only Citizenship	Proves only Identity
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• U.S. passport, even if expired• Certification of Naturalization (Form N-550 or N-570)• Certification of Citizenship (Form N-560 or N-561)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Official birth certificate issued by the county or state• Letter from hospital of birth• Other acceptable proof of citizenship	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Drivers license or ID card from the Department of Transportation• School photo ID• School, day care or medical records (for children)• Military ID or dependent card• Other acceptable proof of ID

Important: You must do this for every U.S. citizen in your family who gets Medicaid.

Eligibility will not be affected by race, creed, color, national origin, age, disability, political beliefs, religion, or sex, except where it is required by law.